



PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING

OCHOCO IRRIGATION DISTRICT INFRASTRUCTURE MODERNIZATION PROJECT

September 16, 2020

MEETING PURPOSE

Inform the community of the Draft Watershed Plan-Environmental Assessment for the proposed Ochoco Irrigation District Infrastructure Modernization Project and answer questions about the assessment.

DISTRICT FACTS

20,062 acres irrigated

898 irrigators served

120 miles of open canals and pipelines

Up to **80,000** acre-feet of water diverted every year

~20% of diverted water lost to seepage, evaporation, and operational spills

PROPOSED PROJECT MEASURES

IMPROVE District infrastructure necessary to support the McKay Creek Water Rights Switch: install 4 new pump stations, raise banks along 15.2 miles of open canal where necessary, and adjust other District infrastructure to convey water to McKay Creek irrigators.

PIPE AND PRESSURIZE Grimes Flat laterals and the IronHorse section of the Crooked River Distribution Canal, and install the McKay Creek pipeline.

POTENTIAL PROJECT BENEFITS

INCREASE streamflow in McKay Creek by permanently transferring 11.2 cubic feet per second of live flow water rights instream.

PROTECT up to 4.8 cubic feet per second or 2,046 acre-feet of water per year in the Crooked River.

IMPROVE irrigation water delivery reliability and District operation and maintenance efficiency.

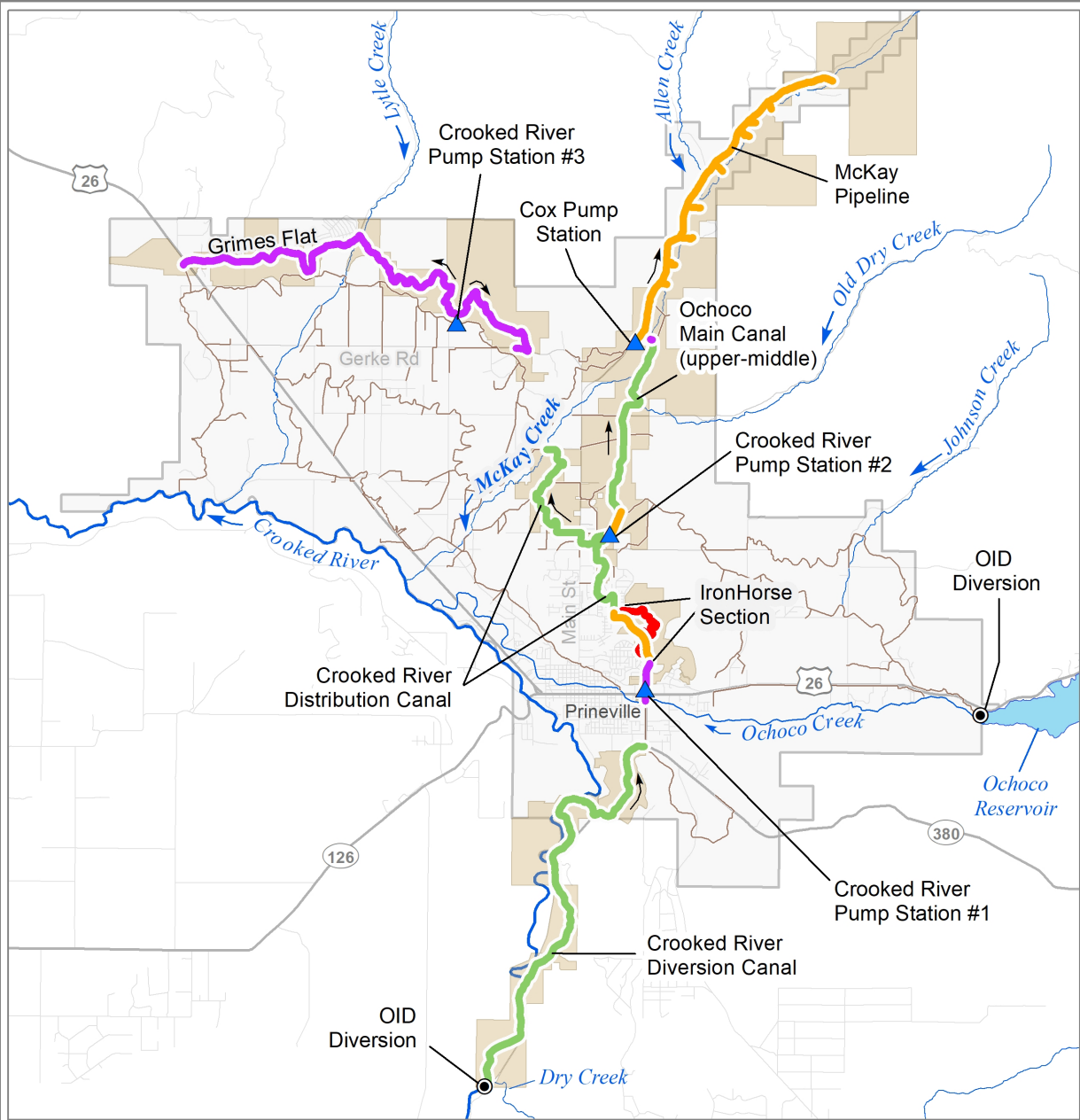
INCREASE public safety by minimizing the risk of drowning in Grimes Flat laterals and the IronHorse section of the Crooked River Distribution Canal.

PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020










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Ochoco Irrigation District

-  Existing canal - to be improved
-  Existing infrastructure - to be piped
-  Proposed infrastructure - to be piped
-  Infrastructure to be decommissioned
-  Proposed Pumping Station
-  Direction of water delivery
-  Planning Watershed Area
-  Ochoco Irrigation District
-  Excluded from Proposed Action



Source: FCA, NHD, ODOT
 OID EA Piping Alt.mxd 9/9/2020